

SAT testing tips and strategies

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CRITICAL READING Section --- READING COMPREHENSION (Short and Long):

1. You should base your answers to the questions solely on what is stated or implied in the passages.
2. Read the italicized introductory text.
3. Skip questions you don't know. Return to them after answering other easier questions.
4. First and last sentences of each paragraph are critical.
5. Find the right spot in a passage by using any line reference numbers that appear in the questions.
6. Answer questions on familiar topics before unfamiliar topics.
7. Read the passages before reading the questions.
8. Don't waste time memorizing details.
9. Passage content comes from the Humanities, Social Science, Science, and Literal Fiction.
10. Some passages are presented in pairs. Read the brief introduction first to see how they relate.
11. Spend more time on answering the questions than on reading the text.